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06/12/2012 Minutes

Diversity Task Group
 June 11, 2012 Draft Minutes
 Approved, Sept. 10, 2012

I. Present: Claire Carswell, Cheryl Hamilton, Mary Harrison, Jane L. Howard, Esther Kingston-Mann, Tarajee Pass, Miriam Stein, Marie Ricciotti, Moses Bukenya Carmen Medeiros, Alberto Guzman, Elizabeth Wall

II. Minutes Approval

Committee members approved the Draft Minutes of the May 2012 meeting

III. Agenda discussion

- Legal Handbook: Open Meeting Law Requirements (pages 18-25) On-line Ethics Quiz
- Discussed to committee members Legal Handbook: Open Meeting Law Requirements (pages 18-25) On-line Ethics Quiz.
- Overview of Diversity Task Group in the Vision 2020 Questionnaire mailed with the Town Census Form. Members agreed the Vision 2020 Questionnaire mailing with the Town Census Form is effective bringing new members to DTG group. Elizabeth and Miriam suggested updating and distributing Diversity Task Group brochures in selective locations, such as the library and housing development.
- Discussed/explored the idea for Focus Groups proposed by Cheryl Hamilton. Cheryl hosted a sub-committee meeting on June 25, 2012, at her home to further discuss focus group strategies.
- Miriam reported the Hiring Professional Staff of Color progress in Arlington school system.
- Committee members discussed prospect of collaborating with different Vision 2020 Task groups for the upcoming fall schedule.
- Discussed and brainstorming ideas for Town Day, September 15. Committee members create sub-committee group to prepare and organize for Town Day.
- Members exchanged information on upcoming diversity related events; including International Film Festival and Arlington's Master Plan event on October 17th.
- The discussion will be continued at the next meeting.